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In the application of:

Jeffrey SEILHAMER, *et al.*

Serial No.: 09/902,517

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For: IMMUNOASSAYS FOR HUMAN BRAIN  
NATRIURETIC PEPTIDE (AS  
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Examiner: J. L. Epps-Ford, Ph.D.

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to an Office Action herein mailed 25 March 2003, time for response to which was set to expire 25 June 2003. A petition for an extension of time of one (1) month until 25 July 2003 is attached hereto, along with the required fee.

The considered claims, claims 32 and 41-44, were rejected. Applicants appreciate the Examiner's consideration and comments in the prior Office Action, and respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following amendment and discussion.